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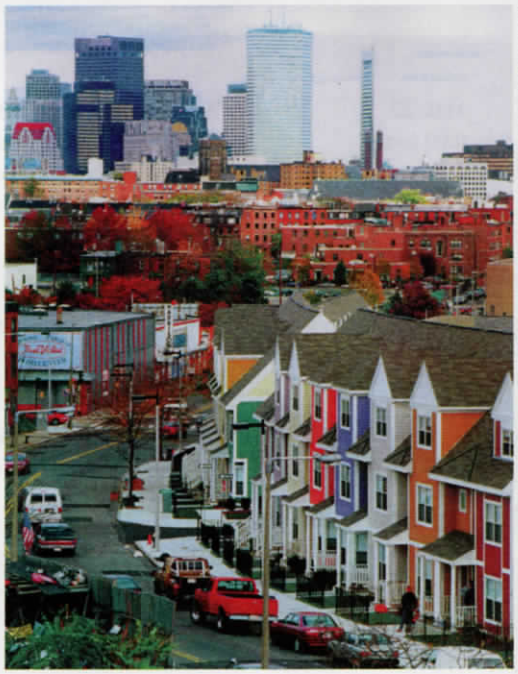
A new vision of affordable urban housing emerges

When President Clinton visited Boston in January, he made a special trip to Orchard Gardens (above and at right), a new federally-funded housing development in Roxbury. The President said he wanted to draw attention to affordable urban housing that worked. Orchard Gardens was designed by Domenech Hicks & Krockmalnic and firm principal Michael Hicks AIA is this month's guest speaker in the BSA Lecture Series at the Boston Public Library on **March 22**.

Hicks, who is also President of the BSA, offers an overview of historic trends in the development of federally-supported family housing in this country. He uses case studies to illustrate current approaches that are yielding higher-quality housing and are also enabling us to build housing projects that are significantly more responsive to their surrounding neighborhoods.

This lecture series — "Exploring Design" — is the year-long venture by the BSA and the Boston Public Library to explore architecture and community design. The presentation by BSA President Michael Hicks AIA on March 22 begins at 6:00 pm in the BPL's Rabb Auditorium in Copley Square. There is no charge and all are invited.



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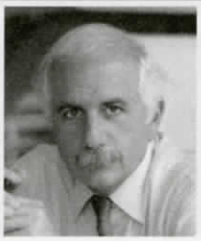
Young designers trained in new BSA program

The Young Designers Professional Development Institute is the comprehensive new effort by the BSA to provide design firms with practical job-training instruction for young designers. Enrollment is open now; the first class is **March 16**. For registration details, call/write the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/ *bsa@architects.org*.

	Event	Location/Sponsor	Cost/RSVP
Feb. 2-Mar. 31 9:00 am-5:00 pm	**"BSA Honor Awards and AIA New England Awards"** — an exhibit of the award-winning projects in both of these design awards programs (see p. 4)	The Architects Building Sponsored by Suffolk Construction	Free No RSVP required
Mar. 10-12	**"KidsBuild"** — the extraordinary, twice-each-decade gathering of architects and Boston schoolchildren at the Museum of Science for a special city-building adventure (see p. 3)	Museum of Science Sponsored by the YouthVisions Committee	Free RSVP: 617-367-1188/ *ams@taylorpartners.com*
Mar. 14 6:00 pm	**"Women in Design"** — this month's installment of the continuing series focusing on construction relationships in the field (see p. 10)	The Architects Building	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221/ *bsa@architects.org*
Mar. 15 6:00 pm	**"Moshe Safdie FAIA"** — the monthly BSA crit session ("Works-in-Progress") for designers at all levels this month collaborates with the Museum of Fine Arts in an MFA-sponsored presentation by Safdie (see below)	The Architects Building Sponsored by the MFA in collaboration with the BSA Works-in-Progress Committee	$15/$12 for BSA & MFA members Tickets: 617-369-3770
Mar. 16 4:30 pm	**"Young Designers Professional Development Institute"** — the new BSA year-long training institute for young designers begins this month (see p. 1)	Location varies Sponsored by the BSA in cooperation with Gathering Pace Consulting	$3600/year ($3000/year for members) Registration: 617-951-1433 x221/*bsa@architects.org*
Mar. 20 6:00 pm	**"Working Abroad"** — the monthly informal presentation of work overseas by New England architects this month welcomes Germany's Barbara Hoidn (see p. 3)	The Architects Building Sponsored by the BSA International Committee	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221/ *bsa@architects.org*
Mar. 22 6:00 pm	**"A new vision of affordable urban housing"** — the BSA/BPL lecture series this month welcomes housing-design expert/amateur historian (and BSA President) Michael Hicks AIA (see p. 1)	Rabb Auditorium, Boston Public Library, Copley Square Sponsored by the BSA and the BPL	Free No RSVP required
Mar. 29 3:00 pm workshop 5:30 pm reception 6:00 pm dinner	**"Annual AGC/BSA Practice Dinner"** — the annual gathering of architects and contractors focuses on design/build issues (see p. 12)	Seaport Hotel Sponsored by the BSA and AGC	Reservations: 781-235-2680/ *gately@agcmass.org*
Mar. 30 8:30 am-noon	**"Masonry Cavity Walls"** — the first in the BSA series of Spring workshops, this one with Fred Nashed AIA (see p. 4)	The Architects Building	For registration details, call/ write 617-951-1433x221/ *bsa@architects.org*
Apr. 4 5:30 pm	**"Polshek and Weidlinger"** — the BSA joins the Boston Society of Civil Engineers to host an evening focusing on the design of the Rose Center (see p. 4)	57 Radisson Restaurant, Boston Sponsored by BSCES and the BSA	Reservations: 617-542-6900 x2271/*athormahle@hntb.com*

Safdie presentation is this month



Moshe Safdie FAIA (right) is the guest in this month's Museum of Fine Arts lecture series sponsored by the MFA in collaboration with the BSA's "Works-in-Progress" program committee chaired by Doug McCallum AIA. Safdie's discussion of his current work is at 7:30 pm, **March 15** in the MFA auditorium. Tickets are $15.00 ($12.00 for BSA and MFA members); call 617-369-3770 for reservations.

New England architects working abroad gather at BSA

On **March 20**, the BSA International Committee hosts Germany's Barbara Hoidn in this month's installment of the BSA's popular "Working Abroad" program. All design professionals are welcome to join us.

Hoidn, currently a Loeb Fellow at Harvard, comes to the BSA to discuss her role as Head of the Architecture Workshop of the Senate for Building, Housing and Transportation in Berlin.

These informal, wine-&-cheese evenings at the BSA are free and have proved to be excellent design, marketing and networking opportunities as they provide exceptional insights into securing and executing work overseas. Join us at The Architects Building at 6:00 pm on February 14; RSVP to 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org*.

Estelle Jackson, Assoc. AIA, Chair
International Committee

Code change affects new commercial and high-rise residential buildings

The Massachusetts Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS) has adopted new requirements for energy conservation to be included in the State Building Code (780 CMR, Chapter 13). The new provisions take effect on January 1, 2001 and they constitute an entire replacement of the current Chapter 13, which affects all new commercial and high-rise residential buildings in Massachusetts.

The BBRS, in cooperation with the US Department of Energy and Massachusetts gas and electric utilities, is offering training seminars on the new energy code beginning **this month**. Architects, engineers, interior designers, contractors and others are encouraged to attend. For more information about the training schedule and registration, and to see the content of the new requirements, visit the BBRS Web site at *www.state.ma.us/bbrs/energy.htm* or for schedule and meeting information, call/write the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org*. Practitioners interested in bidding on training services can also download an RFP at the site.

David Weitz, BBRS

Ed. note: For a related story on architects' roles in codes development and amendment, see the story on p. 5.

Help kids build

"KidsBuild" is a three-day, city-wide, box-city event at the Museum of Science on **March 10-12**. Volunteers are needed to work with children as they plan and build a model building for a specific site on a large city grid. This event is coming up fast and we need your help to help lead the event. If you are interested in volunteering or wish more information, write/call Andrea Spadafora, Assoc. AIA at *ams@taylorpartners.com*/617-367-1188.

"KidsBuild" is sponsored by the BSA's YouthVisions Committee, which is co-chaired by Spadafora and Polly Carpenter AIA and meets typically on the second Tuesday of the month at noon. For information on other YouthVisions Committee programs, call/write 617-951-1433x227/ *njenner@architects.org*.

photo: George M. Loring

Dan Perruzzi AIA leads the "KidsBuild" program

Help kids build...II

Learning By Design in Massachusetts, another of the BSA's several programs focused specifically on schoolchildren, is seeking materials for these hands-on kids programs in Massachusetts public schools. Of most value would be model scraps and used models, carpet and material samples, paper, trace, those outdated T-squares...and someone willing to provide additional storage space for these materials.

If you or your firm is looking for a good home for unwanted materials or if you are lucky enough to have some extra storage space, please call/write Learning By Design program director Jan Ham at 508-528-4517/*aerc@norfolk-county.com*.

BSA tours Spain in September

The BSA's continuing program of international architecture tours takes us to Australia next month, Angkor/Laos in May, Israel in June, Spain in September (the "White Village" in Andalucia is pictured at right) and Japan in November. For details and registration information on any of these tours, call the BSA tour guides at 800-272-8808.

Polshek and Weidlinger designers discuss Rose Center

On **April 4**, the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of ASCE and the BSA co-sponsor a special presentation on The Rose Center (Manhattan's new "planetarium in the air") by Todd Schliemann AIA of the Polshek Partnership and Matthys Levy, P.E. of Weidlinger Associates.

This special event is at 5:30 pm on April 4 at the 57 Radisson Hotel in Boston. For reservations, call/write April Thormahlen at 617-542-6900x2506/ *athormahle@hntb.com.*

Masonry cavity walls workshop is this month

"What You Should Know About Masonry Cavity Walls" is this year's special workshop presentation by Fred Nashed AIA.

Nashed is the well-known Boston architect whose Build Boston presentations are legendary. He is author of *Time-Saver Details for Exterior Wall Design* (published by McGraw-Hill in 1996 and available from the BSA).

This workshop runs from 8:30 am to noon on **March 30** at the BSA.

This is the first in the BSA Spring Workshops Series and is followed by:

- **Sealing the Building Envelope** with Dennis Kulesza on April 3
- **Indoor Environmental Quality** with John McCarthy on April 4
- **Marketing Presentations** with Joanne Linowes on April 7
- **Building Code Essentials** and **Chapter 34: Existing Buildings** with the Sullivan Code Group on April 11
- **Masonry Design, Detailing and Construction** with Richard Filloramo on April 14
- **Air Barrier Technologies II** with Canadian and U.S. experts on May 25
- **Strategic Alliances: Mergers, Acquisitions, Joint Ventures, Associations and Other Alliances** with Ralph Steinglass FAIA on May 12

For more details and registration information on all of these Spring workshops, visit the BSA Web site at *www.architects.org*...or call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org.*

Tim Twomey AIA, Commissioner of Professional Practice, Board of Directors

Award-winning projects exhibited in Boston

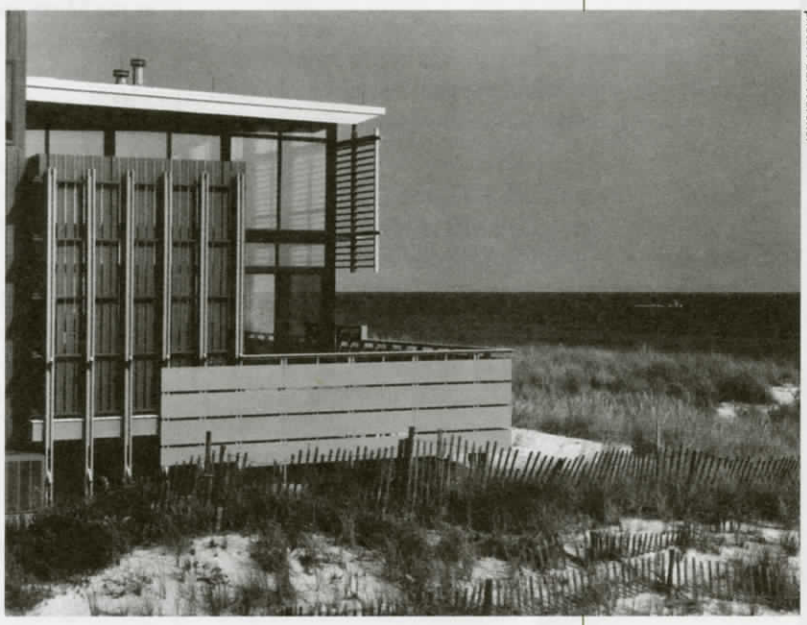


photo: Paul Warchol

The extraordinary projects (including this New Jersey beach house, above, by Brian Healy Architects and Michael Ryan Architects) recognized in the AIA New England Design Awards and the BSA Honor Awards programs in late 1999 are displayed on the fifth floor and the lobby of The Architects Building through the end of this month.

For more information on the exhibits program, call/write Alexandra Lee at the BSA at 617-951-1433x225/*alee@architects.org.* The BSA exhibits program is sponsored this year, once again, by Suffolk Construction Company whose financial underwriting of the program is crucial. The BSA is grateful.

Robert Taylor AIA, Chair
Exhibits Committee

Call for Entries: housing

The deadline for submissions to this year's BSA Housing Design Awards program is **March 21**. Co-sponsored this year by the AIA New York Chapter, this housing design awards program welcomes submissions of all building types: high-end, single-family homes to institutional housing to multi-family projects...and welcomes new projects as well as restoration/renovation work.

For copies of the Call for Entries, call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org* or visit the BSA Web site (*www.architects.org*) — located under "News".

The issue is *Time*

The Spring issue of *ArchitectureBoston* is included with this issue of the ChapterLetter. This is the eighth issue of *ArchitectureBoston* and marks the end of the second year of publication of the BSA's award-winning magazine. (See the related story about *ArchitectureBoston*'s national award on p. 14.)

design by Judy Kohn

"The Spring issue of *ArchitectureBoston* explores the ways time influences architecture" writes editor Elizabeth S. Padjen FAIA in her introductory letter to this issue of the magazine, "especially the ways memory and history affect what we build — in ways we often cannot predict. Even the most jaded of us can't help but be affected by the recent turning of our calendars, which forces us to look backward and forward. It's an appropriate moment to reconsider the influence of the fourth dimension on a profession that prides itself on its skill in manipulating three dimensions."

Included in this issue of *ArchitectureBoston* are reflections on special places by several Boston-area individuals. Among the notable people and places included is Massachusetts Lieutenant-Governor Jane Swift writing about Mass MoCA and Noel Paul Stookey (the Paul of Peter Paul and Mary) writing about the house in Greenwich Village that inspired "the house song". Also included in the *Time* issue is George Takoudes AIA's interview with Hugh Shepley FAIA, an article on memorials by Deborah Dietsch, a piece on the new *Lost Boston* by Jane Holtz Kay, and more.

Readers of *ArchitectureBoston* are encouraged to express your thoughts and opinions on the magazine and its content. Selected letters and e-mail correspondence are published in each issue and are an important part of the magazine's dialogue.

For *ArchitectureBoston* advertising information, call the BSA Sales Office at 800-996-3863. For editorial submission guidelines and subscription information, call 617-951-1433x221.

New codes committee dives in

Vernon Woodworth AIA

Led by new chair Vernon Woodworth AIA of the Sullivan Code Group, the BSA Codes & Regulations Committee has made a New Year's Resolution: increase significantly the impact of the Boston architectural community on code development, enactment and education.

Judging from early results, the resolution is being implemented with remarkable speed. Woodworth reports that the Committee's inaugural meeting in December attracted design and other industry professionals (and we want you to join us too) to focus on four specific issues: our advocacy role in the attempt to adopt the international building code, to assess the findings of the national AIA Codes Task Force, to propose changes to the Massachusetts fire-prevention code, and to explore education/outreach efforts locally on code-related issues.

This month, on **March 15**, staff members of BOCA and the State Board of Building Regulations and Standards meet with us at the BSA to discuss the proposed International Building Code.

Under the earlier, long-term leadership of Walter Adams AIA and Douglas Wohn AIA, the Committee was renowned for its extensive and frequent workshops explaining changes in the code, especially the new code Massachusetts adopted a few years ago. Acknowledging the historic value of that effort in raising the profession's awareness of codes issues, Woodworth urges BSA members and allies to join the Committee this month on March 15 and on the third Wednesday of every month for breakfast at the BSA at 8:30 am to shape the future of building codes in Massachusetts and beyond.

For more information, call/write Woodworth at 617-523-8227/*avw@rwsullivan.com*.

Tim Twomey AIA, Commissioner of Professional Practice

Ed. note: The Committee sponsors a special codes workshop in Boston on April 11 when we focus on Massachusetts building code essentials and specifically on Chapter 34. For details on this and other BSA workshops in the coming months, visit www.architects.org...*or call/write 617-951-1433 x221*/bsa@architects.org.

What makes a building product "green"

GreenSpec is the new directory of green building products identified by Environmental Building News, the national green-building periodical published in Vermont. *GreenSpec* is now available from the BSA.

This 300-page guide includes detailed information on more than 1,200 products — from access flooring to zero-VOC paints — along with guideline specification language and all of it is organized in the 16-division CSI MasterSpec system. The products included are screened carefully against EBN's quantifiable, easily verifiable standards and include products made from environmentally attractive materials (*e.g.*, certified wood products), products that are green because of "what isn't there" (*e.g.*, alternatives to ozone-depleting substances), products that reduce environmental impacts during construction, renovation or demolition, products that reduce environmental impacts of building operation (*e.g.*, products with exceptional durability or low maintenance requirements) and products that contribute to a safe, healthful indoor environment (*e.g.*, products that don't release significant pollutants into the building).

The directory comes in a three-ring binder that also includes manufacturers literature describing the products selected for *GreenSpec*. For ordering information, visit *www.architects.org*...or call/write the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org*.

Sustainable design is mainstream design

Site design, energy design, materials selection, recycling, links to the community, a check-list for sustainable architectural design, a check-list for sustainable offices, establishing "green" priorities, sustainable "practices", and the LEED green building rating system criteria are among the issues addressed in a collection of article reprints assembled by the BSA. For a copy of this package of reprints (available only by mail), AIA members in Massachusetts should send requests with a $1.21, (9"x12" SASE to SD/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109; non-members should enclose a $15.00 handling fee payable to the BSA along with the $1.21, 9"x12" SASE.

New leader bringing "green" interests closer together

Courtney Miller AIA

Courtney Miller AIA, new Chair of the BSA's Architects for Social Responsibility Committee (ASR), is moving quickly to link ASR's sustainable-design efforts to those of The Green Roundtable, another group of architects and engineers dedicated to moving the green building movement forward in Boston. Miller reports that ASR is also teaming up with a third group of sustainable-development advocates including Richard Kennelly of the Conservation Law Foundation to spur the adoption of green-building standards in Massachusetts (similar efforts in Pennsylvania and elsewhere have been successful).

Miller has assumed the lead role for ASR as past-chair Marilyn Phelan AIA's term expired in late 1999. Miller notes that among the changes that seem inevitable for ASR is a name-change. Founded and led by several extraordinary BSA leaders over the past generation, ASR embodied the design profession's campaign against the military use of nuclear power in its early years and, since the late 1980s, has focused on issues of sustainability.

Noting the clarity and success of the BSA Task Force to End Homelessness led by John Wilson FAIA and Nancy Sullivan, Miller suggests that perhaps a new name for ASR ought to be the Committee on the Environment or the Sustainable Design Committee in order to make it clear where the group's interests lay. "We are focusing at the moment on the BSA Civic Initative for a Livable New England," notes Miller, "a very encouraging initiative adopted and led by the BSA Board of Directors." Miller notes that he will be represnting the profession this month at the Northeast Sustainable Energy Assoication conference in New Haven where he will be a panelist focusing on livable communities issues.

Miller invites all ChapterLetter readers to join this renewed advocacy effort to focus initially on green-building standards. ASR meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm at the BSA. For more information, call/write Miller at 781-646-6165/*courtney@ecobuild.com*.

Michael Hicks AIA, President

EPA and APA join architects in planning effort

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the American Planning Association (APA) have joined the BSA as co-sponsors of the BSA Civic Initiative on Livable Communities...and the American Architectural Foundation has just awarded a planning grant to the BSA for this initiative.

This two-year BSA effort, initiated late last year, includes a series of information-gathering efforts beginning in May and continuing through the Fall; the Initiative culminates in a series of design charrettes in the Spring of 2001. The goal of these charrettes is to examine the issues that promote livable communities at three different levels — local, metropolitan (multiple municipalities) and regional — and to focus on implementation strategies necessary to further thoughtful, managed development in New England.

The APA has put "smart growth" on both its national and local agenda and its members are active participants in the BSA effort. Last Spring, the EPA hosted a smart-growth forum attended by over 1,000 professionals; the BSA will be collaborating closely with the EPA to build on the results of that extraordinary conference.

To realize the goals of this initiative, which has attracted national attention, the BSA invites thoughtful readers to join us as we volunteer our efforts in the Initiative's program development, promotion, background research and logistical efforts. Designers and planners are encouraged to participate now to shape this significant national discussion.

To become involved or for more information, call/write Alexandra Lee at the BSA (617-951-1433x225/*alee@architects.org*).

Those of us participating in this effort meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 4:30 pm at the BSA. Please join us this month on **March 7** and next month on April 4.

Rebecca Barnes AIA, BSA Vice-President

Keane inaugurates column on urban affairs

Tom Keane Jr., the new Public Director on the BSA Board of Directors and, until recently, a six-year member of the Boston City Council, has begun writing a column for *The Boston Herald* on a broad range of urban-affairs issues including planning, economic development, housing and other issues of importance to our profession and to the city at large.

Tom Keane Jr.

Marked by a lack of cant and by concise, clearly articulated advocacy, Keane brings his sharp intelligence and years of public service as an elected City official to bear on this significant new addition to public discussion. Keane's column appears on the *Herald* op-ed page every Friday. Write to him with responses to his columns (and suggestions for future columns) at The Boston Herald, One Herald Square, Boston 02106.

What is the most beautiful project built in your town since 1990 ?

The City of Boston and the BSA annually present the Harleston Parker Award to the designers of the most beautiful project built in the last decade in the 36 cities and towns in the Greater Boston/MDC area.

This year we celebrate a unique shared award to honor Brookline's Lincoln School (designed by Graham Gund Architects) and Harbor Tunnel Vent Building #7 (designed by TAMS, Wallace Floyd Associates, Stull and Lee, URS and Gannett Fleming). The special awards presentation honoring these two projects and their designers is in the Spring; watch this space for details.

In the meantime, the new Harleston Parker Jury for this first year of the new century has begun work to identify the next recipient of this award.

Everyone reading this sentence is invited to nominate one or more projects in this region for this award. Any building or monument or similar structure is eligible; it does not matter who the architect is or was. The project could be as large as the Hancock Tower or as small as a single-family home in any of the three dozen towns in the MDC region. For some background information and guidelines on the award, visit the BSA Web site at *www.architects.org* (or call/write the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org*).

The Boston Civic Design Commission, *which reviews major development proposals in Boston, regularly holds its public meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. All meetings are at 5:15 pm in the Kane Simonian Room (the BRA Board Room) on the 9th floor of Boston City Hall; meetings are open to the public.*

Architects and contractors gather to debate design/build merits

On **March 29**, the BSA and Associated General Contractors of Massachusetts (AGC) host our annual joint gathering at the Hyatt Regency in Cambridge of Massachusetts architects and contractors to focus on design/build issues.

This significant statewide gathering begins at 3:00 pm with a panel discussion/workshop on design/build based on the work that has been done over the past several years by the AGC/BSA Task Force on Recommended Practices. A reception and dinner follow the workshop. For registration details, call/write 781-235-2680/*gately@agcmass.org*.

Peter Kuttner AIA and Kevin Hines
Task Force Co-Chairs

New England's history is captured through Maine lens

As the BSA leads a regional initiative on smart growth (see story on p. 7), a just-published history of one county in Maine wonderfully captures many of the issues being addressed locally by the BSA and nationally by all those concerned about "livable communities".

Woven Together in York County, Maine/A History 1865-1890 by Madge Baker is a remarkable account of the history of farming, textile manufacturing and tourism in this Maine county; it is recounted in large part through photographs, letters, newspaper articles, maps and a variety of other documents. The author, an educator/historian, practiced law and land-use planning in York County as a member of the staff of the Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission until she resigned to write this book.

The questions Baker raises are the eternal ones: As the region's traditional farming, textile manufacturing and fishing economies are replaced with service and retail businesses catering to suburban commuters and tourists, are York County's rural and urban economies, sense of place and cherished scenic beauty being lost...or saved?

This book is available from the BSA. To order it, use the Design Resources catalog inserted in this issue of the ChapterLetter; it is item #226. For an additional order form, visit the BSA's Web site at *www.architects.org*...or call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org*.

Local architects receive national honors

photo: Peter Vanderwarker

Bruner/Cott & Associates in Cambridge is being recognized this year with a national AIA Honor Award in Architecture for the firm's already nationally praised renovation of the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art (MassMoCA) in North Adams. This renovation of a hundred-year-old mill complex includes — in Phase I — 19 galleries, the largest "black box" theater in New England, and 60,000 s.f. of art-related commercial space. The project, a small portion of which is pictured above, is credited with a significant role in the economic resurgence of North Adams.

photo: Steve Rosenthal

William Rawn Associates of Boston has been recognized with a national AIA Honor Award for Interior Architecture for the design of Ozawa Hall (above) at Tanglewood, the summer home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

For more information on these projects, call Bruner/Cott & Associates at 617-492-8400 or William Rawn Associates at 617-423-3470.

Designing, socializing, marketing and computing are verbs

Defining and promoting the value of architectural services, serving our communities, strengthening our professional networks, and otherwise becoming more effective and successful at what we and our allies do as building industry professionals are at the core of the BSA network. Among the mechanisms available to Massachusetts architects and our allies are the scores of issue-oriented working groups that constitute the BSA. For a complete guide to BSA committees and task forces, write/call bsa@architects.org/*617-951-1433x221. Here are a few examples of the efforts in which members and non-members are engaged today. Select one for yourself and join us…and earn AIA Learning Units in the process.*

Marketing & PR directors — Marketing and PR directors of design and construction firms gather monthly for breakfast at the BSA and focus on a specific issue at each gathering. We meet for breakfast on the 4th Wednesday of each month; join us this month on **March 22**. For more information, call/write Janet Shotwell (978-526-4386/ *oldarch@shore.net*).

"The Products of Architecture" — Industrial design is on our agenda this month as we discuss "the products of architecture" on **March 28**. Our annual agenda includes roundtable discussions with leading designers, critics, educators and others and we focus on the large issues (and on design details). We also assess BSA design awards programs and we sponsor the annual BSA Unbuilt Architecture Design Awards program. We meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month for breakfast at 8:00 am at the BSA; join us. For more details, call/write Robert Brown AIA (617-262-4354/*brown@cbtarchitects.com*) or Ed Frenette AIA (617-547-5400/*e_frenette@smma.com*).

CADD users groups — The BSA has user groups oriented to several different software programs — **AllPlan** (**March 8**; Ivan Bereznicki AIA, 617-354-5188/*bereznicki@mediaone.net*), **ArchiCAD** (Jon Oxman AIA, 617-497-6127/ *j.oxman@dinisco.com*), **Arris** (Linda Carlton, 617-273-4226), **DataCAD** (**March 15**; Evan Shu AIA, 781-662-0020/*eshu@world.std.com*), and **Microstation** (Ann Gleason AIA, 617-267-6980/ *rgleason@world.std.com*). For details on regular monthly and Build Boston meeting schedules and other user group information, call/write the ringleader noted after each software program listed above.

Office information systems — A small group of design-firm management wizards is focusing on office information systems and how best to manage them in light of changing office technologies. We meet for lunch at the BSA on the 2nd Wednesday of each month; join us this month on **March 8**. For details, call/write Peter Sugar AIA (617-338-3000/ *psugar@annbeha.com*).

Architects working in the public sector — The Public-Sector Architects Committee is a lunch group of architects employed in public agencies. We focus on building codes, liability issues for public agencies, and a range of other issues members of the Committee raise. We meet on the 3rd Monday of each month, typically with a guest speaker. Join us this month a week early on **March 20** for lunch at noon at DCAM. Every architect working as an employee of any public agency in Massachusetts is invited to join us. For more information, call Robin Luna AIA (617-727-4015/*rluna@state.ma.us*).

Robin Luna AIA

Architects socializing — Receptions for new members, an increased schedule of social events for all BSA members, mentoring programs for young professionals, the role and treatment of interns, a BSA training program for recent graduates and BSA dues policy are among the issues now being addressed by the BSA Membership Committee. All members are welcome to join us for our lunch at the BSA on the 1st Wednesday of each month; our next meeting is **April 5** at noon. For more information, call/write George Takoudes AIA (617-342-8200/ *gtakoudes@payette.com*).

George Takoudes AIA

Housing — The design and financing of urban housing, HUD programs, private-sector housing, the Seaport District masterplan, and the full range of regulations, financing mechanisms, and other issues that shape the design of all types of housing in Massachusetts are our bailiwick. We meet at 8:30 am at the BSA on the 3rd Friday of each month; join us this month on **March 17**. For more information, call/write Alfred Wojciechowski AIA (617-262-4355/*alfred@cbtarchitects.com*).

Alfred Wojciechowski AIA

Michael Hicks AIA, President

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*Members and non-members, architects and non-architects, are invited to taste the opportunities offered by these and over five dozen similar BSA networks of architects and allied professionals. For more information on any of these groups, call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org *and ask for the Guide to Committees and Task Forces. (Chairs of all BSA committees and task forces are invited to contribute to this column regularly. To ensure that meeting notes are conveyed to the BSA Web site, committee chairs should call/write Sarah Lainie Smith at 617-951-1433x222/* ssmith@architects.org.*)*

Industry leaders named to BSA Advisory Council

Institutional clients, developers, contractors, engineers and industry consultants constitute the new 2000 BSA Corporate Advisory Council recently named by the BSA Board of Directors.

The Council, conceived by 1994 BSA President Ed Tsoi FAIA, has become a unique source of professional, intellectual, and financial support for the BSA. Members of the Corporate Advisory Council not only provide significant annual financial support to the BSA, they also meet three times annually with the BSA Executive Committee and other BSA leaders to provide critiques, ideas, suggestions and other forms of professional advice intended to strengthen the architectural profession, the BSA and the building industry as a whole.

"We should be ever mindful," noted Tsoi, "that among our most valuable sources of ideas and support are our allies in the building industry." Roger Goldstein FAIA of Goody, Clancy & Associates, who serves as one of the Council co-chairs, agreed: "We learned quickly how helpful our allies could be in efforts such as the Future Search conference the BSA held in the early 1990s and the continuing efforts to redefine the profession of architecture."

Peter Kuttner AIA, a co-chair of the Council, announced that the nine members of the 2000 Corporate Advisory Council are: Stan Durlacher (Carlisle Consulting Group), Gayle Friedland (Forest City Development), Kevin Hines (Richard White Sons), Marty Holloran (AHA Consulting Engineers), John Messervy AIA (Partners HealthCare), Judith Nitsch, P.E. (Judith Nitsch Engineering), Kathy Spiegelman (Harvard University), Gary Vanderweil P.E. (Vanderweil Engineering), and Lisa Wexler (Elaine Construction).

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For the BSA, the Corporate Advisory Council is co-chaired by Tsoi, Goldstein, Kuttner and 1999 BSA President Charles Tseckares FAIA. For more information on the council, call/write Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (617-951-1433x232/ *rfitzgerald@architects.org*).

Michael Hicks AIA, President

In the field: construction relationships

Women in Design, the new BSA network of women in the design and construction industry, sponsors a discussion of the experiences of women working in the field on **March 14**. A panel of women contractors, subcontractors, developers, project managers and architects share their experiences — how they began their careers, mistakes and successes, what others can expect, etc. Panelists include Beth Coburn, a contractor at Lee Kennedy Co.; Judy Matthews, owner of Matthews Floorcovering (commercial contracting); Anju Rajani, a project manager at CBC Construction; and Josey Packard, a flooring subcontractor at Chicks in Vinyl. This is an opportunity to hear first-hand how the designer/ contractor relationship works (or doesn't) when some of the team is female.

This Women in Design event is 6:00 pm, **March 14** at The Architects Building, 52 Broad Street, Boston. The discussion is coordinated and moderated by Amy McCloskey of L. Bornsten & Co. To reserve a seat (there is no charge), call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org*.

Rebecca Barnes AIA, Vice-President

Rebecca Barnes AIA

Collaborative discussion groups are on the Web

On **March 22** the New Technologies Committee examines Frontpage 2000 and the creation of collaborative discussion groups on the Web. The New Technologies Committee meets monthly to discuss current technology and applications. For meeting notes and details about upcoming meetings, visit the Committee's Web page. For access to the page through the BSA's home page, go to *www.architects.org*, click on "Committees" and on "Committee news" where you will find a link to the Committee's page.

The March 22 meeting is at noon at The Architects Building, 52 Broad Street, Boston. Call/write 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org by 9:30 am on the day of the meeting to reserve a lunch.

Richard Gleason AIA and Ann Gleason AIA, Co-Chairs

Priming, subbing, teambuilding are explored for small firms

Assembling the right project team is not always a breeze. On **March 16**, the BSA Small Firms Practice Committee hosts an informal lunch to focus specifically on architects' roles in teambuilding — Who is the prime? Who is the sub? How do you select consultants? When is a joint venture appropriate?

Local experts Melissa Bennett AIA, Marc Margulies AIA and Micheal Washington AIA join us to describe how they assembled teams for recent projects.

All readers are invited; lunch is free for BSA members and $5.00 for others. Call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org* for reservations at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. The Small Firms Practice Committee meets on the third Thursday of every month at noon for lunch at the BSA; join us this month on March 16.

Deborah Pierce AIA, Co-Chair

Ed. note: On May 12, the BSA sponsors a full-day workshop on mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures, associations and other strategic alliances. For details on this workshop and a dozen other BSA Spring workshops, visit the BSA Web site at www.architects.org.

Looking for Summer interns?

This is the time of year when the BSA begins collecting names and phone numbers of New England design firms that think they may need paid interns during the warm vacation months (May-August).

If you think you may be interested in hiring high-school or college interns for the Summer, write/e-mail a note to Tina Erickson, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109/fax 617-951-0845/*bsa@architects.org* and give us your firm name, contact-person's name and telephone number/e-mail address.

Questions? Call 617-951-1433x221.

Two roundtables emerge on public work and mid-size firm practice issues

Two new monthly roundtables offer members and allies an opportunity to focus on public work and on practice issues faced by mid-size firms.

The Public Work Roundtable, an informal gathering of architects who do public work, meets for lunch on the third Friday of each month at noon at the BSA. Discussions focus on project-delivery systems, designer-selection processes, contract terms, payment issues, project-management, construction budgets and schedules, contractor-selection, construction administration and project-team relationships.

The second new lunch group, the Mid-Size Firms Roundtable, gathers on the fourth Monday of every month at noon at the BSA for lunch. This is an opportunity for principals and others in mid-size firms (you are one if you think you are) to share ideas and information on firm management, finance and other business operations, legal issues, staffing, project management, technology implementation and management, etc.

If either or both of these sets of issues are of interest, we urge you to join us. There is no cost; call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org* by 9:30 am on the day of each meeting to reserve lunch.

Michael Hicks AIA, President

Michael Hicks AIA

Design professionals caucus at the State House

Building on the success of the annual Legislators' Breakfast at the Omni Parker House in January, the BSA and the ACEC will host the fifth annual Designer Professionals Day at the State House on **April 12**.

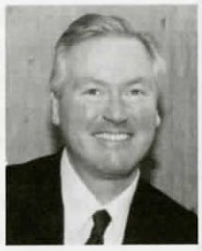
In a departure from the morning sessions of past years, this year's event will be begin with an orientation session at 12:30 pm followed by scheduled meetings with legislators. In an effort to make this year's event more user-friendly for us, AIA Massachusetts and the BSA will do the heavy lifting by making appointments with key legislators who control our bills and issues in their committees. Our legislative issues this year include construction reform, frivolous lawsuits, fee retainage, interior design practice, legislation, and livable communities and smart growth.

This annual event has been responsible for significantly raising the profile of the design professions on Beacon Hill and we have forged exceptionally strong and useful bonds with dozens of State legisltors who are enthusiastic about the information and knowledge design professionals bring to public policy-making. A good turn-out this year is essential to continue this trend. Look for the yellow postcard notice and please put the afternoon of April 12 on your calendar. For more information or questions, call/write Alexandra Lee at 800-662-1235x225 or 617-951-1433x225/*alee@architects.org*.

George Metzger AIA, Chair
AIA Massachusetts/BSA Legislative Affairs Cte

Ed. note: This event in April builds not only on our breakfast for new legislators in January but, more recently, our participation in the national AIA public-policy day in Washington during which a dozen Massachusetts members visited our Senators and Representatives on Capitol Hill to focus on four specific national issues: clarification of the ADA, brownfields development, livable communities and school construction and modernization. We meet in Boston on the second Tuesday of every month at 8:30 am for coffee and bagels at The Architects Building to address a broad range of legislative issues facing architects. Join us.

BRA appointment reflects Mayor's housing commitment



Mark Maloney

Mark Maloney, long-time Boston advocate of affordable housing, has been named by Mayor Tom Menino to be the new Director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA).

Maloney, who succeeds Tom O'Brien who left the BRA several months ago, has been in the real-estate business for almost 30 years with his own company, Maloney Properties, which manages residential housing and in his role as chair of the Metropolitan Boston Housing Partnership.

Maloney has been invited to the BSA for an informal discussion of Boston planning and development. Watch this space for details.

Michael Hicks AIA, President

Clients honored by architects and contractors

Late last month, the BSA and Associated General Contractors of Massachusetts hosted the annual Client Recognition Awards Program celebration at the Seaport Hotel.

This event is designed to draw attention to exceptional project-team leadership by clients/owners in our region. Nominations are solicited from and must be made jointly by architects and contractors.

Honored this year were four exceptional clients: Harvard Business School (nominated by CBT and Beacon Skanska), Deloitte & Touche (nominated by CBT and Shawmut Design and Construction), Somerville Public Schools (nominated by HMFH and R.W. Granger & Sons) and Suffolk University Law School (nominated by Tsoi/Kobus & Associates and Barr & Barr Builders).

For more information on the clients recognized this year and on this annual program in general, call/write AGC Marketing Director Mary Gately at 781-235-2680/*gately@agcmass.org*.

Guide to project-team members nears deadline

March 15 is the deadline for the Spring 2000 issue of the BSA's popular *Guide to Consultants, Contractors and Manufacturers.*

The Guide is distributed free to architects in Massachusetts and others on request. Building industry consultants, contractors and manufacturers interested in being included in the Guide, which is published twice each year, should call/write 617-951-1433x234/*mcurran@architects.org* for advertising rates and guidelines. Do it now.

It's a marketing and practice opportunity...last call!

The deadline is **April 2** if you wish to propose a workshop for Build Boston in November.

Over 500 building industry leaders throughout the nation participated as workshop panelists at Build Boston last November in over 200 workshops. Over 11,000 design and construction industry professionals registered for these workshops and other Build Boston events. Perhaps you should consider proposing a workshop yourself this year.

Build Boston

The deadline is April 2 because this is the time of year that the BSA assembles the Build Boston program. It is easy to propose a Build Boston workshop...all you need to do is call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org* and ask for Build Boston workshop proposal form BB-14 (a simple form that allows you to tell us what you would like to do)...or you can download form BB-14 from the BSA Web site (*www.architects.org*) by clicking on "News and Events", then "Deadlines".

This is an opportunity to market your ideas, your expertise, your firm and yourself. If you have recently learned something unusual about your profession or about project management or about effective marketing or firm management or career development or fee-setting or about any other practice or design issue, consider proposing a Build Boston workshop now.

The deadline for all proposals — including identification of all panelists — is April 2. There is no other deadline. Call now for workshop proposal form BB-14. Questions? Call/write Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (617-951-1433x232/*rfitzgerald@architects.org*).

Market yourself (and design) in your community

What do architects do? How do architects help increase home values? What can homeowners expect from the design and construction process? What is the role of the builder? How are architects' fees determined? Who will control project costs on my job?

It is questions such as these that have energized the BSA's new series of public seminars for homeowners and small-business owners throughout eastern Massachusetts. Beginning in the spring of this year, the small-firm architects who run the BSA's Residential Design Marketing Team began fanning out across eastern Massachusetts to lead informal workshops for prospective clients — homeowners and small-business owners — in communities such as Newton, Jamaica Plain, Quincy and Lexington.

If you are a member who does residential work, you are invited to participate, to market your services, to educate prospective clients. Our goal is to help the public understand what it is that architects do and why it is important and valuable. And we can do this in your community's library, town hall, high school or other community center. You and one or two other design professionals — aided by a structured presentation we provide — can make a difference. This is an important and enjoyable effort to create a more informed client community and to help prospective clients understand why architects and architecture is something all should care about.

For details, call me at 781-862-3444 or write/call Stephen Sattler at *ssattler@architects.org*/617-951-1433x223 or join us at the next monthly meeting of the Residential Design Marketing Team at 8:30 am at the BSA on **March 8**.

Bill Hubner AIA, Chair

Bill Hubner AIA

ArchitectureBoston wins national award

The BSA's two-year-old magazine has won an AIA Component Excellence Award for public affairs and communication initiatives. The national jury was enthusiastic, summarizing its examination of the magazine in this way: "Wow! Talk about top-notch! This is as good as it gets! The magazine is not only a vehicle to communicate with members, it is written in a way to engage the public at large. It's all about the issues of the Boston area and their relationship to architecture, yet it doesn't read as parochial."

For more information on *ArchitectureBoston*, see related stories below and on p. 5 or call 617-951-1433x221.

ArchitectureBoston welcomes new Editorial Board members

The success of *ArchitectureBoston* reflects the strength of our community, the high level of commitment to built-environment issues and the high-quality contributions of local and national professionals. The success also reflects the dedication and commitment of the *ArchitectureBoston* editorial board. The Board, serving as editor Elizabeth Padjen FAIA's "brains trust", meets monthly to sustain the continuous review of the goals and mission of the magazine, to critique each issue as it is published, and to discuss ideas for articles and contributors.

The BSA is privileged to welcome eight new members to the Editorial Board this year: Fred Koetter FAIA (Koetter, Kim & Associates), Ted Landsmark, Esq., (President of the Boston Architectural Center), Otile McManus (Corcoran Jennison), Carla Munsat (Publisher of *Art New England*), Wellington Reiter AIA (Urban Instruments, Inc.), Mary Silveria AIA (Steffian Bradley Architects), Missy Sittler AIA (Abacus Architects + Planners), and Jane Weinzapfel FAIA (Leers Weinzapfel Associates).

These new members join Editorial Board veterans Peter Kuttner AIA (Cambridge Seven Associates), Paul Nakazawa AIA (Nakazawa Consultants), Wilson Pollock FAIA (ADD Inc), Gretchen Schneider (University of Kentucky), and Lionel Spiro, Hon. BSA.

We also wish to express the BSA Board of Director's special appreciation to four founding members of the Editorial Board whose terms expired at the end of 1999: Arthur Cohen AIA (Architectural Resources Cambridge), Ed Frenette AIA (Symmes Maini & McKee), Duncan Pendlebury AIA (Jung/Brannen) and Richard Rundell AIA (Payette Associates). Padjen credits these and the other original members of the Editorial Board with helping to define the magazine and develop it into the significant communications vehicle it has become.

Michael Hicks AIA, President

New leaders emerge at AIA Central Massachusetts

At the December annual meeting of AIA Central Massachusetts, one of the three AIA chapters in Massachusetts, Daniel Benoit AIA was named the new president succeeding Lawrence Reeves AIA who held the role for several years. Benoit brings a commitment to community issues and to serving the needs of AIA Central Massachusetts' unique membership. Benoit's practice is based in Worcester. Kathryn Crockett, Assoc. AIA was named President-elect of the Chapter and Paul Woyda AIA is the new Secretary/Treasurer.

Woods and irons swing

It's never too early to think about golf and now is the time to think about registering for the 12th Annual BSA Golf Tournament on **June 8**. Even though we expanded the format for the Tournament to include 27 holes of great golf in one of the loveliest settings in New England, we still anticipate a sell-out crowd and hope you and your foursome will be among them. As many readers know, last year we had to turn away over 50 players so we are urging you to register ***now*** to beat the rush.

Kurt Rockstroh AIA (left) is the Tournament Chair-for-life and Managing Principal of Steffian Bradley Architects

The Tournament this year on June 8 is again at the Far Corner Golf Course in Boxford. If you are interested in participating — as a player or sponsor or both — call/write Alexandra Lee today at 617-951-1433x225/*alee@architects.org*. We are also looking for new ideas and volunteers to help make this a special day; give us a call. We look forward to seeing you on the fairway.

The focus is on membership

For the past several months, association consultants Elaine Kuttner and Jane Fisher of Cambridge-Concord Associates have been talking to scores of BSA members and allies as part of a year-long information-gathering effort commissioned by the BSA's Focus on Membership Task Force led by BSA Treasurer Jim Dunn CPA, Assoc. AIA.

The mission of this special initiative, Dunn notes, is "to create membership and dues structures for the BSA that reflect the changing profession and changing building industry and provide a durable, long-term framework for a diverse, vital and financially solid association."

This is the first time in decades that the BSA has looked closely at our membership and dues structure. The goals include:

1. Identifying who the members of the BSA *are* and *should be*.
2. Collecting, analyzing, and building solid industry data (professional demographics, relationship of architects to other building industry professionals, etc.), and creating a framework to continue to do so.
3. Developing a clear understanding of each membership constituency's place in the future BSA and an understanding of the implications for an appropriate dues structure.
4. Identifying membership recruitment goals that maximize both revenue and membership.
5. Identifying a way to evaluate our progress and measure our success.
6. Stimulating an enhanced sense of ownership among BSA constituencies.
7. Developing a plan of action that:
   - ensures that each BSA constituency's needs are understood and that appropriate opportunities exist for each to influence the direction of the organization and benefit from it;
   - identifies new constituencies that should be part of the BSA and a strategy or tailored strategies for attracting and serving them;
   - develops a clear, straightforward, logical dues structure and a process for ongoing dues evaluation and revision that reflects the current membership and anticipates industry changes;
   - constructs an algorithm that helps us to reconfigure dues levels and amounts in response to changing industry demographics and membership while maintaining the financial health of the BSA itself; and
   - is evolutionary and is based on existing organizational strengths while creating opportunities for growth.

The Focus on Membership Task Force is interested in ChapterLetter readers' — members' and non-members' — ideas and suggestions; if you have not already participated in one of the focus groups and would like to do so, call/write BSA Deputy Director Nancy Jenner at 617-951-1433x227/ *njenner@architects.org*.

Marc Margulies AIA, Commissioner of Chapter Affairs

Poole joins PGA tour

Doug Poole

Doug Poole, insurance advisor to the New England design community for 40 years, retired in January to explore the fairways of every golf course in North America.

Aside from being an avid golfer, Poole played a lead role in shaping the ways in which architects and engineers addressed professional liability and related insurance issues for the past several decades. His integrity, candor and exceptional commitment to the growth and professionalism of architecture and engineering firms are legendary.

During a special thank-you celebration in Boston recently, architects and engineers praised Poole's contribution to the industry…and expressed particular pleasure that Poole Professional Ltd. would continue its unabated collaboration with designers through Doug's son, Chris, the new leader of the firm and the next generation of tee-to-green advisors.

Thanks, Doug.

Michael Hicks AIA, President

Do you want or have office space?

The BSA maintains an information clearinghouse for architects seeking to sublet space from/to other industry professionals. If you want to share space, sublet, rent a drafting station, etc., call Richard Fitzgerald at 617-951-1433x232.

An accessible Freedom Trail is the goal of a new map designed, according to the Boston Commission for Persons with Disabilities, to provide "an alternative route and conditions description for those visitors in wheelchairs or those who may have difficulty walking" the Freedom Trail. Created by students in the ASCE Student Chapters at Wentworth and Northeastern, this new map/brochure — entitled "Accessing The Freedom Trail" — was supported by Boston's Commission for Persons with Disabilities and The Menino Project and is available from the Freedom Trail Foundation at 617-227-8800.

"Fundamentals for Marketers", the popular SMPS workshop series, concludes this month with sessions on graphics (March 2), Web sites (March 9), networking and business development (March 16), public-sector marketing (March 23) and photo shoots (March 30). For registration and other information, call 617-267-1547.

Can you earn commissions overseas? Principal's Report, the national newsletter, noted recently that US-based A/E firms now earn, on average, 7% of their fees from overseas commissions. "Northeast region firms," according to the report, "registered the highest average ratio (17%)..." by securing design commissions on everything from airports to embassies to graphic design to housing to retail development and on and on and on. For a copy of this two-page report (available only by mail), which includes two dozen tips on marketing tactics to help you secure overseas work, members in Massachusetts should send requests with a 33¢ SASE to Overseas Fees/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109; non-members should include a $10.00 handling fee payable to the BSA along with the 33¢ SASE. (For subscriptions to Principal's Report, call 212-244-0360.)

"Losing Cape Cod" is a full-color poster of maps summing up all the small environmental changes on the Cape over the last half-century. For copies, call/write Allison White at The Woods Hole Research Center (508-540-9900/fax 508-540-9700).

Renderers exhibit work. Gary Irish, Affil. BSA, Frank Costantino, Assoc. AIA, Steve Oles FAIA, Robert Bernier, Assoc. AIA, Paul McMahan, Assoc. AIA and Andrezj Zarzycki, Assoc. AIA are among the renderers/perspectivists showing their work this month in a special exhibit on "The Art of Architectural Illustration" at the Classic Galleries at 516 Shirley St., Winthrop. The exhibit focuses on the process — drawings from rough sketches to revisions to notes on the final work. The exhibit runs **through March 29**. For hours and other details, call/write 877-846-6487/ *aclassic@concentric.net.*

Modernism in Asia is the focus of a March 9-11 conference at Harvard that brings together a panel of blue-ribbon design and other professionals to develop a systematic understanding of the phenomenon of modernism in the Asia Pacific region. For registration and other information, visit *www.gsd.harvard.edu/asiagsd* or call 617-621-9963.

Preservation Books 1999 is the latest catalog of publications available from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Subjects covered include historic districts, preservation economics, tourism, preserving building types, sprawl, etc. For copies of the catalog, call 202-588-6296.

Two technology Web sites were recently launched by the BSA. The New Technologies Committee's new site provides information and articles on Internet connections, extranets, office technology and more. The Committee on Design Software site features 42 interlinked Web pages focusing on software information, vendors, reviews, etc. Both sites can be reached through the BSA Web site — *www.architects.org*...click on "Committees" and then on "Committee News".

Industry classified ads work. Job listings for the entire industry are published regularly by the BSA. The "Building Industry Classifieds" comes with each monthly ChapterLetter; it also is available on the BSA Web site (*www.architects.org*). It includes notices not only for architects but for engineers, contractors, construction managers, landscape architects, interior designers, urban designers, planners, facility managers and others throughout the building industry in New England. For a rate sheet, call 617-951-1433x234, fax your request to 617-951-0845, or e-mail your request to *mcurran@architects.org* (include your fax number in

WHAT IS "SCRAPPLE?" *(Choose One)*

a) One of Philadelphia's first families.

b) Grout.

c) A soft, spreadable sausage that looks a little like grout but tastes considerably better.

Answer: If you guessed first family you're probably thinking of the Biddles. Although Anthony Drexel Scrapple sounds impressive, too. No, it's sausage — very soft and of an unprepossessing purplish hue. Fried in slices, it's actually quite yummy.

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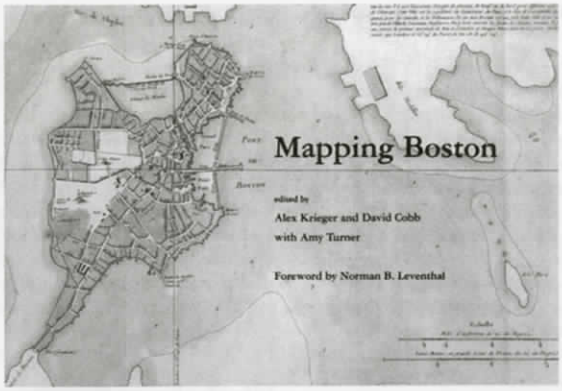
the e-mail)...or visit the Building Industry Classified on the BSA Web site.

The essay by Marcie Hershsman on the New England Holocaust Memorial in the second issue of *ArchitectureBoston* magazine in 1998 continues to attract national attention. Most recently, Hershman's essay has been included in *The Beacon Best of 1999: Creative Writing by Women and Men of All Colors* edited by Ntozake Shange for Beacon Press. With pieces by Gish Jen, Jamaica Kincaid, Louise Erdrich, Barbara Kingsolver, John Edgar Wideman and many others, Hershman's piece is part of a collection defined by one reviewer as an exquisitely sculpted literary buffet.

The new telephone and e-mail directory of members is available from the BSA. This pocket-size directory — generously underwritten by The Karsten Company — includes daytime telephone numbers and e-mail addresses for all members in Massachusetts and for BSA Corporate Affiliate members. The directory has been mailed free to Massachusetts AIA members and BSA Corporate Affiliate members; additional copies are $15.00/$10.00 for BSA members (plus tax & handling) and order forms are available from the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org* or use the Design Resources catalog order form inserted in this issue of the ChapterLetter (it is item #223) or download the order form from the BSA Web site at *www.architects.org* (click on "Publications and Resources" then "Resources").

Who should get credit for design work ? In the past decade, 10 major decisions on cases brought before the AIA National Ethics Council focused on the issue of taking or giving appropriate credit for design work. The BSA has assembled a full package of information that includes the AIA Code of Ethics and all of the written decisions and advisory opinions issued by the Ethics Council on issues such as inaccurate attribution of credit and the failure to give credit, uncompensated design services, referral fees and conflicts of interest, misrepresentation of qualifications, the withholding of photographs and other material from former employees, negligent interpretation of zoning regulations, endorsements and conflicts of interest, employment discrimination based on gender, supplanting, the failure to get clients' consents to design changes, the use of other architects' drawings, manufacturers' indemnifications and conflicts of interest, the failure to report employees' lies or misstatements of qualifications, etc. For a copy of this 134-page packet (it's only available by mail), send $40.00 ($20.00 for AIA members in Massachusetts) and a 9"x12" SASE ($3.00) to Ethics Package/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109.



Mapping Boston is the new and already exceedingly popular book that brings together hundreds of historical maps of Boston (most from the collection of Norman Leventhal, Hon. BSA) and several essays by urban historian Sam Bass Warner Jr., novelist/*Globe* columnist James Carroll and others. Edited by Alex Krieger FAIA and Harvard Map Collection Director David Cobb with architect Amy Turner, this extraordinary 280-page large-format image-rich effort by The Muriel G. and Norman B. Leventhal Family Foundation and The MIT Press includes a brief history of Boston, an essay diagramming the growth of Boston, and dozens of wondrous maps covering Boston's entire history.

Are your accounts receivable? The new, very tactful BSA accounts-receivable management service described in recent issues of the ChapterLetter can be explored by calling Janet Allison, who directs this service for the BSA, at 617-951-1433x304.

The most current AIA Documents list and order form — including all new 2000 prices — is available to download from the BSA Web site (*www.architects.org*) or call 617-951-1433x221 to request your free copy or mail or fax your name and address and a request for the list to the BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109; fax 617-951-0845.

If you love Boston, put on your walking shoes and devote a little time as a volunteer guide for Boston By Foot, the city's extraordinary architectural walking-tour service led by Polly Flansburgh, the better half of an emerging young architect. Even if you are an architect, you will be trained to know more about the city's rich heritage of architecture and history and then you will exult in the opportunity to share your knowledge with tourists and local residents, thousands of whom enjoy Boston By Foot tours every year. (And they are all future clients.) For details, call 617-367-2345 or check out the Web at *www.bostonbyfoot.com.*

Competitions/Awards/Grants

BSA Design Awards Programs (see pp. 4 & 24)... **Catalina/Secession** "political architecture" fantasy competition; 7/4 reg. deadline; 323-925-8393/*http://frank.org*...**International Residential Design competition**; 4/12 deadline; tel. 81-3-3811-7101 (Tokyo)...**Isla Vista Revitalization** urban-design competition; mid-May deadline; *www.co.santa-barbara.ca.us*...**Ottawa ideas competition**; $50K+ in prizes; 4/17 deadline; 613-789-1115 (Honorata Pienkowska-Roseman)/*competition@raic.org* and *www.raic.org/competition*...**Heritage Center Design Competition** (Mammoth Cave, Kentucky); May deadline; $10K first prize and possible commission; 270-781-6858/*spencerwkc@aol.com*...**Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial** design competition; $20K first prize; 4/1 reg. deadline; 410-554-0040x110 (Dr. E. Jackson Jr.)...**(Re)Visioning Chapala** ideas competition; May deadline; *www.uam.ucsb.edu*/805-893-2724...**Leading Edge** design competition (school facilities); 3/10 reg. deadline; *www.leadingedgecompetition.org* or *leadingedge@cbif.org*...**Construction management awards**; 4/20 deadline; 617-568-5969 (Carl Sciple)...**Palos Verdes Art Center** design competition; 7/1 deadline; 310-541-2479/*www.pvartcenter.org*...**First Night** visual and performing arts proposals; March deadline; 617-542-1399...***Justice Facilities Review*** juried publication; March submission deadline; 202-626-7300 (Glennette Clark)...***Business Week/Architectural Record* Awards**; March appl. deadline; 888-242-4240...**Architecture/PV Technology** competitions focusing on energy-efficiency in two competitions sponsored by the City of Stockholm; 3/24 deadline; *www.task7.org*...**Historic preservation grants**; Mass. Historical Commission grants program/ $300,000; *www.magnet.state.ma.us/sec/mhc* or 617-727-8470..."**Competitions" magazine** reports regularly on competition results and related information; for a subscription, call 502-451-3623...**Predevelopment Assistance Program** funds to support early-stage economic development projects in Massachusetts; rolling deadlines; 800-445-8030 (Mass. Development Finance Agency)...**Victorian-era buildings** (exteriors or interiors), public places, open spaces, etc.); Jack Grinold, 48 Greycliff Rd., Brighton MA 02135...**AIA Honors & Awards Programs** including the Gold Medal, Kemper Award, Whitney Young Citation, Honorary AIA Membership, Design Honor Awards, 25-Year Award, Urban Design Awards, AIA College of Fellows, Honorary Fellowship, Thomas Jefferson Awards for Public Architecture, Young Architects Citation, Library Building Awards, Institute Honors, Architecture Firm Award, Henry Bacon Medal, Topaz Medallion for Education, Brick in Architecture Awards, Interior Architecture Awards, Concrete Masonry Design Awards, Cedar Design Awards, etc.; deadlines vary; 617-951-1433 x221 (ask for the Annual Awards Schedule)...**Minority/Disadvantaged** Scholarship Program; annual AIA/AAF Scholarships; 202-626-7511 (Mary Felber)...**Aga Khan Award**, Program Procedures, 32 chemin des Crets-de-Pregny, CH-1218 Grand Saconnex, Geneva, Switzerland ($500K in prizes; rolling deadlines)... AIAS **student competitions:** programs & deadlines vary; 202-626-7472...NIAE **student competitions**; 212-924-7000...**Fulbright grants** for architects and urban planners; *www.iie.org/cies*; 202-686-4000 (fax 202-362-3442)...NEA design project grants & **individual grants/fellowships** (up to $20K) for designers; 202-682-5437...The **MacDowell Colony** Residency for architects; 1/15, 4/15 & 9/15 seasonal deadlines; *www.macdowellcolony.org*/ 603-924-3886...For details on the American Architectural Foundation Richard Morris Hunt Fellowship and numerous AIA-related **fellowships and scholarships** for minorities/disadvantaged individuals, professional degree candidates, health facilities design, research, and other purposes, including The RTKL Traveling Fellowship, call 202-626-7511 and, for the AIA/AHA Fellowship in Health Facilities Design, call 202-626-7429.

A schedule of annual BSA, AIA New England, & national AIA **design awards** programs is available from the BSA; 617-951-1433x221/ *www.architects.org*

Workshops/Conferences

Build Boston 2000 workshop-proposal deadline — 4/2; visit *www.architects.org* (click on "News and Events", then "Deadlines") or call/write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org* for RFP (form BB-14; see p. 13)...**Young Designers** Professional Development Institute; new BSA program (see p. 1); for guidelines, visit *www.architects.org* or call/ write 617-951-1433x221/*bsa@architects.org*... **Construction law workshops**: "Essential Elements of Risk Management in Construction" (3/14); Waltham; 781-235-2680 (AGC)..."**Fundamentals for Marketers"** (five March sessions in Boston); 617-267-1547 (SMPS)..."**Modernism in Asia"** conference; Harvard, 3/9-11; *www.gsd.harvard.edu/asiagsd* or 617-621-9963..."**Negotiation Survival Training" seminar**; 3/16, Cambridge; 617-577-0101/ *info@negotiatingtable.com*...**Building Energy 2000** conference/tradeshow; 3/15-16, New Haven; 413-774-6051 (NESEA)..."**Communications Between Engineers and Owners"** workshop; 3/8, Boston; 617-305-4107/*nmckeon@engineers.org* (Nancy McKeon, ACEC)...**Environmental Design**/World Congress for the New Millennium; 11/8-22, Seoul; *www.millenniumED.org*...**Healthcare Facility Planning** workshops; Jan-May; Harvard GSD Executive Education Program; 617-495-4731...**Construction defect claims** seminar; 3/9, Boston; 715-833-3940...**Urban Management**; 3/15-12/15, Milan; 011-39-02-47719155/*info@domac.it* (Domus Academy)..."**Sustainable and Humane Cities"** conference; 4/10-12, Manila; *cities2000@ust.edu.ph*/011-632-740-9721...**AIA National Convention**; 5/5-8, Philadelphia; 202-626-7300..."**Unmasking the City"** conference; 5/11-13, Ottawa/Hull; 613-241-3600 or 416-449-6898..."**Update on Utility Lighting Rebates"** workshop; 3/15; Brian Grosse (617-269-4510) or Robert Quintal (978-499-1786)...Northeastern University Center for Continuing Education **Building Design and Management** courses; 617-320-8000...**Wentworth Institute of Technology** professional and continuing studies programs; 617-442-9010x446...**BAC continuing ed**. programs; 617-536-3170...**GSD professional development** program; 617-495-1680...Jewish Vocational Service career, **job-hunting** and related workshops; 617-965-7940...**Women's Educational and Industrial Union** career services workshops and other services on job-hunting and other career issues; 617-536-5657...**MIT Center for Real-Estate** Summer Institute professional development courses; 617-253-4373...**BU Program for Real-Estate Studies**; 617-353-3013...**North Bennet Street School** workshops on preservation carpentry, fine woodworking, etc.; 617-227-0155.

See a wide variety of **paid and volunteer opportunities** in the "Building Industry Classifieds" listing inserted in this issue.

Exhibits/Lectures/Tours

BSA International Architectural Tours Program; 800-272-8808 or 415-955-2753 (see p. 2)...**BSA exhibits** (see pp. 2 & 4)...**Boston Close Up**; SPNEA exhibit, One Bowdoin Square, Boston; 100 years of photos and contemporary views by Peter Vanderwarker; through 4/14...**Preservation Worcester** lecture on the restoration/revitalization of University Park; 3/14, Worcester; 508-754-8760... **Northeastern lecture series:** Don Snyder (3/2); Northeastern University Center for the Arts; 617-373-2347...**MIT Lectures/Exhibits:** Raj Rewal (3/7), Hermann Pitz (3/14), Christian Menn (3/28), Diller & Scofidio (4/4); 617-253-4412/*annesim@mit.edu*...**Archaeology of the Central Artery** lectures, tours, etc.; 617-727-9268 (Mary Collins) or 617-727-8470 (Ann-Eliza Lewis)...**Boston By Foot** lecture and field trip series/volunteer guide training begins; 617-367-2345/*www.bostonbyfoot.com*... **"Modern-*Starts*: *Places*"** exhibit at MOMA; through 3/14; 212-708-9750..."**The Art of Architectural Illustration"** exhibit; 2/5-3/26, Classic Galleries, Winthrop; 888-846-6487/*aclassic@concentric.net*... **SPNEA** programs & Gropius House tours (year-'round) 617-227-3956...**MIT Museum** exhibit of the work of Doc Edgerton; 617-253-4405...**Historic architectural drawings** exhibit at the Library of Congress; 800-551-7328..."The Four Shapes of Boston," a slide-lecture on **Boston's architectural history** available to rent (with speaker); 617-367-2345 ...**Art & architecture tours** of the BPL; 617-536-400x212...**Black Heritage Trail** (year-'round; 617-742-5415).

Community Opportunities

Kids Build/YouthVisions; BSA programs for kids; 617-951-1433x227..."**Learning By Design** in Massachusetts"; BSA partnership with school-based program; architects encouraged to call/write 617-951-1433x227/*njenner@architects.org*...**Design professionals** sought for Boston Learning Society seminars in Needham (a BSA partnership program); 781-453-9800...**Teachers/Practitioners:** the BAC is seeking instructors in the decorative arts, wood-frame construction, mechanical/electrical systems, materials, methods and contract documents, structures (many of these related to the A.R.E.); 617-536-3170x258... The Boston Museum of Science is looking for professionals to **teach problem-solving**, computer applications, your favorite interdisciplinary topics, and a variety of other courses; call 617-589-0364 (Brent Jackson)...Wentworth Institute is **seeking constructive and compassionate architects** to serve as design critics; call Herb Fremin at 617-442-9010x425.

Publication Opportunities

ArchitectureBoston, the BSA quarterly magazine; for editorial and advertising requirements, call/write Nancy Jenner at 617-951-1433x227/*njenner@architects.org*...**Bungalows, ranch and Cape Cod** new/renovated home designs by BSA members sought for publication; 4/1 deadline; Taunton's Home Building Books, 203-426-8171/800-283-7252/ *tp@taunton.com*...**Small, well-designed houses** designed by AIA members in Massachusetts are being sought for a new book titled *Not So Big House Design Book*; call 800-926-8776x449 (Steve Culpepper, The Taunton Press).

People

Fernando Domenech Jr. AIA was the featured speaker on designing affordable housing at the recent NAHB annual convention in Dallas; **Michael Hicks AIA** has been appointed to the national AIA Architectural Licensing Committee for the second consecutive year...**Dietz & Company Architects**, the firm that puts the *spring* in Springfield, is celebrating its 15th anniversary...**Jean Carroon Architects**' staff of architects, conservators, and historians have joined **Goody, Clancy & Associates**...**Maugel Architects** has opened a new Special Projects Division in the Civil Terminal Building at 200 Hanscom Dr. in Bedford (781-274-1239); this new office will be headed by Charles Rolando and Eric Bottenhorn...**Carr, Lynch, and Sandell** has announced the promotion of Jean Hermann to Principal... **Symmes Maini & McKee** has named four new Associate Principals — Richard Croswell P.E., **Robert Fournier AIA**, Ara Krafian P.E., PMP, and Brian Lawlor P.E.; the firm also announced that **William Hickey AIA** has been named Director of Midwest Operations and new employees include Susan Pepple (business development), Kenneth Dickenson (landscape architecture), Jennifer Leal and Damon Paczkowski (architecture), David Flashman (electrical department), Tatiana Smith (administration/marketing) and Sara Friedrichsen (marketing); Mark Zarrillo, FASLA, AICP and Jeffrey Denzak, ASLA, APA are presenting a workshop on campus planning communications tools at the SCUP regional conference in May... **C&R/Rizvi** has named three new Associates — Deborah Dinco, IIDA, Michael O'Connell and Miguel Pimentel...**Cannon** has announced that **Peter Miner AIA** has joined the firm as an Associate and Richard Hrycaj has joined the firm as Senior Associate... **Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott** reports that it has raised over $36,000 for the United Way through an auction of goods and services and an office-wide donation campaign...**Marsters & Partners** (formerly Marsters Sargent Rivers) has announced that the firm principals are **Tim Marsters AIA**, **Deborah Rivers AIA**, David Fanuele and **Jiri Slosar AIA**...**Tsoi/Kobus & Associates** was among two dozen local businesses that participated in the Third Annual "Home for the Holidays" gingerbread contest to raise money for the Boston Chapter of Habitat for Humanity...The Nipmuc Regional Middle/High School in Upton, designed by **Flansburgh Associates**, was honored in the 11/99 issue of *American School & University*'s architectural portfolio as an outstanding specialized facility; Sidney Bowen III recently served as guest speaker on integrating technology into schools at the Massachusetts Superintendents Technology Leadership Conference ...**Leers Weinzapfel Associates**' work was featured recently at the University of Cincinnatti DAAP Center; **Andrea Leers FAIA** is one of four judges for the American Wood Design Awards in Japan... **Einhorn Yaffee Prescott** recently announced several appointments including engineers Bill Shosho, Dan Nayar and Haakon Pedersen, architect Kip Ellis and interior designer Jessica Modery...In a recent issue of *Banker & Tradesman*, architecture critic **Jeff Stein AIA** writes on the design of BC's Higgins Hall by **Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott**... **Henry Chao AIA** writes on the prospective use of the Old Northern Avenue Bridge as a new venue for the Haymarket vendors in a recent letter published by *The Boston Globe*; in other recent issues, the *Globe* featured the work of **Graham Gund Architects** (residential design in Cambridge), **Machado and Silvetti** (the new Allston branch library) and, in a special series, viewed the western suburbs of Boston through the eyes of architects **Elizabeth Erickson FAIA**, **Wayne Koch AIA**, **Norris Strawbridge AIA**, **Michael Pearce AIA** and **Richard McCullough AIA**...*The Sunday New York Times* recently included a full-page report on **Jung/Brannen**'s design of the Ancient Near East Gallery at the MFA...**Andrea Leers FAIA** and **Alex Krieger FAIA** recently served as jurors for the AIA New York Annual Design Awards Program... The cover story in the recent issue of *Faith & Form* was the Charleston Holocaust Memorial designed by **Jonathan Levi Architects** (formerly Stein/Levi Architects)...The latest issue of *Competitions* magazine includes an article by **Barbara Boylan AIA** on the 1998 Charles Street/MGH Station ideas competition; the magazine also highlights the work of **Koetter, Kim & Associates** (the entry, with GBD Architects, in the federal courthouse design competition for Eugene, Oregon) and the Springfield federal courthouse competition entries submitted by **William Rawn Associates**, **Stull and Lee**/Spillis Candela & Partners, and **Moshe Safdie & Associates** (the winning entry)...**Nantucket Architecture Group** has opened a second office, Village Green Architects in Woodstock VT...**Hermann Field FAIA** and his wife Kate have just published *Trapped in The Cold War/The Ordeal of an American Family* (Stanford University Press), a memoir and history focusing on "one of the most publicized international mysteries of the 1950s"; *www.snailshell.com/trapped*...**Mostue & Associates** has announced the addition of several new staff members: architectural designers Paul Dobler, Andreas Romero, Silvana Sawaya and Rynon Roldan; drafters David Chase and Kristoffer von Semkov; marketing coordinator Lauren Cvinar; and administrators Stephanie Chandler and Jacob Bruneau.

Marjorie Pierce

Marjorie Pierce of Weston, an architect and MIT graduate, died in January at 99, according to a report in *The Boston Globe*. The report noted that Pierce graduated from MIT in 1922 and studied art and architecture in Europe on a fellowship she received from the BSA. The Women's Independent Living group, an off-campus residence at MIT, was recently named in her honor, according to the Globe. During her career, she designed new and renovated residential and commercial properties along the eastern seaboard; she continued to practice into her 90s. A memorial service was held in Weston in January.

Correction

In last month's issue, a notice in this column that **Frank Mead AIA** had merged his firm with James Karman's failed to note that Karman's firm is Spaulding & Slye Colliers; we apologize for the printing error, which was caused by aliens.

New Work

Domenech Hicks & Krockmalnic has prepared a series of redevelopment alternatives and recommendations for six housing developments in Newport News, which will provide the foundation for a HOPE VI application...**Tsoi/Kobus & Associates** is developing a masterplan for Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City and is providing fit-out services for the Partners HealthCare System research labs in University Park at MIT...**Marsters & Partners** is designing the new Roslindale Community Health Center and is renovating the Huntington House for the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Student Services Center at Wentworth Institute...**Einhorn Yaffee Prescott** is providing design services for a new science and technology building for Assumption College in Worcester, the science center at Truman State University in Missouri in association with ASAI Architects in Kansas City and is designing a new academic building and parking garage for Worcester Polytechnic Institute...**Lyons/Zaremba** has completed an exhibit concept plan for NOAA's 12 national marine sanctuaries throughout the country...**Keefe Associates** is planning an addition to the Trappist Abbey in Spencer...**Tsomides Associates** has completed work on the new Paul Hazelton House, an affordable residential facility for senior residents in Saco for Volunteers of America and, with Kennedy & Rossi, a new wellness center therapy pool facility and health clinic at Carleton-Willard Village retirement community in Bedford...**Berg/Howland** is illuminating the exteriors of four historic churches on Tremont Street in Boston (King's Chapel, Park Street Church, Tremont Tempel Baptist Church and The Cathedral Church of St. Paul) for Light Boston, Inc....**Architectural Resources Cambridge** is designing a new research building for Harvard Medical School... **R.W. Huygens Architect** has completed work on a new private residence in the Netherlands...**Ann Beha Associates** is providing masterplanning and design ser-

David Soleau AIA (above) has been elected President/CEO of Flansburgh Associates, which is the new name of Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates; Kate Brannelly, SMPS, Affil. BSA (below) has been elected Executive VP and Earl R. Flansburgh FAIA will continue to serve as Chairman of the Board

photo: John Nordell

photo: Jan Gleysteen AIA

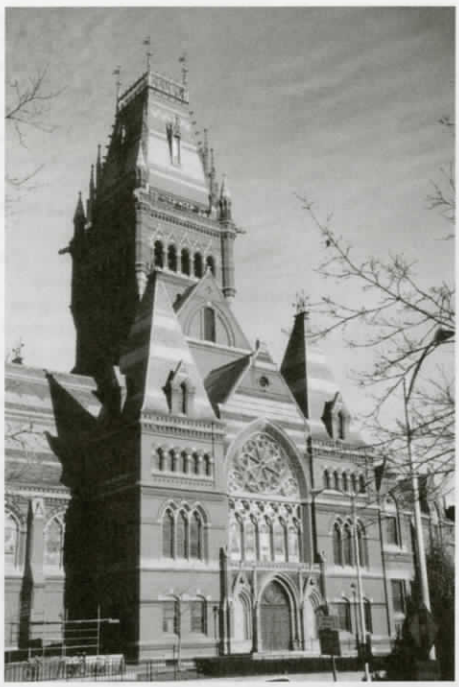
Susan Dinion AIA has been named an Associate at Jan Gleysteen Architects

Alicia Caritano AIA has been promoted to Senior Associate at Steffian Bradley Architects

BPG/Bluestone Planning Group with Christopher Chadbourne & Associates is completing this masterplan for the Downtown Tupelo Civic District in Mississippi

DRA is designing two new elementary schools in Westford, the new Davis Elementary School in Bedford and the new Nichols Middle School (above) in Marlborough ...photo by Peter Vanderwarker

Prellwitz/Chilinski Associates has compelted the renovation and expansion of the Stetson Hall East Student Center at Northeastern University, a project that has just received an Innovative Achievement Award from the National Association of College Auxiliary Services...photo by Steve Rosenthal



CBT/Childs Bertman Tseckares has completed work on the reconstruction of Harvard's Memorial Hall Tower Spire; the late Margaret Henderson Floyd contributed historical research for this project...photo by Chelsea Blanchard

Integrated Design & Construction (a Sasaki Associates/Kennedy & Rossi firm) has completed the new Gantcher Family Sports and Convocation Center at Tufts in Medford...photo by Dave Desroches

Flansburgh Associates has completed work on the Beebe School in Malden...photo by Steve Rosenthal

DiMella Shaffer Associates has been honored for continuing-care retirement community design (for the Edgehill by Marriott in Connecticut) by the National Council on Senior Housing...photo by Richard Mandelkorn

Symmes Maini & McKee Associates has completed design of this new middle school in Norton...photo by Nick Wheeler

Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott has begun schematic design for the new clinical building at Boston's Children's Hospital...rendering by Dongik Lee

vices for the West College Block for Agnes Scott College in Georgia... **Flansburgh Associates** is providing programming, design and/or related services for the expansion and renovation of Lexington Christian Academy, the Town of Westwood's public buildings study, Widener University's School of Business Administration in Pennsylvania and two elementary schools in Reading ...**Leers Weinzapfel Associates** is designing the renovation of Hagerty Hall at Ohio State (in association with Wandell & Schnell), the expansion of the MIT Media Lab (as associate architect with Fumihiko Maki) and the new US Courthouse in Orlando (with HLM Design)...**TRO/The Ritchie Organization** is designing the new radiology department and endoscopy suite at Penobscot Bay Medical Center in Maine ...**Gail Sullivan Associates** is working with MIT and Frank O. Gehry Associates on the programming and preliminary design of the new child-care facility in MIT's Stata Center...**Cannon** is designing and/or renovating athletic and recreational facilities at the Brooks School in North Andover, Boston University, Cornell and, for Vision III Architects, St. Mary Academy at Bay View in Providence...**Graham Gund Architects** has completed a masterplan for The Westover School in Connecticut and is designing the School's new fieldhouse; the firm is also completing a masterplan for Berwick Academy in Maine and is programming a new K-12 library for the Academy...**Architectural Partners** is the design consultant for the new Cranston Corners office building in Rhode Island for Mid-City Development...**Cole and Goyette** has completed design of the Cambridge Trust branch bank...**William Rawn Associates** is designing a concert hall near Bethesda for the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra and a concert hall for the Santa Rosa Symphony in California... **The Cecil Group** has been selected to work with SMWM and The Halvorson Co. as masterplanners for the surface of the ultimately depressed Central Artery in Boston...**Cambridge Seven Associates** has completed the new Hilton Hotel at Logan (**Ahearn Schopfer and Associates** provided interior-design services).

Corporate Affiliates

Elaine Construction Co. is providing general contracting and/or CM services to Compaq Computer for a new research lab in Cambridge (Symmes Maini & McKee is the architect), Brickstone Properties for a new cafeteria complex at Brickstone Mills in Andover (Burt Hill Kosar Rittelman is the architect), Harvard University for a new biology lab, iXL for the expansion of its offices in Cambridge (IOI is providing interior design services) and Descenza Diamonds for renovations of its Boston showroom (Newbury Designs is providing design services)...**Judith Nitsch Engineering** has moved to Suite 2 00, 186 Lincoln St., Boston 02111-2403; the company also has announced that Norman Lipsitz, P.L.S. is the new Survey Department Manager... **Shawmut Design and Construction** has completed Codman Square Health Center's new wing (Miller Dyer Spears was the architect) and has completed work on four new high-tech projects — IONA Tech in Waltham, Art Technology Group in Cambridge, Cambridge Technology Partners in Cambridge and ThingWorld.com in Watertown... **Suffolk Construction** is building the General Cinema at Landmark Center in Boston (Gensler is the architect), Fairfield Center in Boston (Luna Design Group is the architect), Muvico Theaters in Memphis (Development Design Group is the architect), Leisure Towers in Lynn and Traditions at Wayland (The Architectural Team is the designer of both)...**A.J. Martini General Contractors** has completed tenant build-out for Unique Technologies at Highwood Drive (Lavallee/Brensinger is the architect) and renovations of Lord & Taylor's in the Emerald Square Mall and Filene's in both Holyoke and Connecticut (all three projects were designed by Carlson & Associates) and is now building tenant build-outs for Ameritech (Lavallee/Brensinger is the architect) and Fresenius (Vitols Associates is the architect), renovations of several school buildings for Dean College (Bruner/Cott is the architect), Harvard Law School's North Hall and Gropius Dorms (Bay State Design Associates and Blackstone Block Architects are the designers, respectively), the Unitarian Universalist Church in Boston (Timothy Burke, Architect is the designer), The Inn at 25 Union Street in Boston (Sy Mintz Architects is the designer) and 110 and 112 Canal Street in Boston (John Fuller Associates is the architect)...**Charrette Corp.** has named Mark DiPasquale the new EVP/GM of its ProGraphics division...**Collaborative Structures** has announced the release of FirstLine 2.3, the newest version of its Web-based project-communications host service for the construction and real-estate industries; the firm also announced that it has selected Exodus Communications to "co-locate" its applications at that company's Internet Data Centers...**Wrenn Associates** is completing a new "glass prototype" Walgreen's Pharmacy in Salem (Lawrence S. Levinson is the architect)... **Consigli Construction** is building the Holmes Group Corporate Center in Milford and is doing the renovations and additions to the Worcester Free Library... **Spaulding & Slye Colliers** has completed construction of an office and R&D facility in Cambridge for Adaptive Optics Associates (Bargmann Hendrie + Archetype and Symmes Maini & McKee were the architects) and interior renovation for SolidWorks' offices in Concord; the company also has announced that Karen Ehrens and Peter Bekarian have joined the firm as, respectively, Corporate Services Specialist and Assistant VP for Capital Markets... **Erland Construction** has renovated the labs for the Atomic Molecular Optical Physics Group at MIT (Perry & Radford Architects was the designer)...**CASE/LEA Engineering**'s David Knuttunen recently published a letter on ethics in government in *The Boston Globe*...**Daniel O'Connell's Sons** is serving as CM for the MIT Undergraduate Residence 2001 10-storey dormitory project (Perry Dean Rogers & Partners

Boston's "reinventor" dies

Ed Logue, described by Mayor Tom Menino in a recent articles in *The Boston Globe*, as the "guy who reinvented Boston", died in January. Logue, who led the BRA in the 1960s under Mayor John Collins, was well-known to architects and everyone in the building industry as an extraordinary and ingenious innovator. He played an enormous part in the redevelopment not only of Boston but of New Haven and New York City. Another former BRA director, Robert Walsh, noted in a *Globe* interview that "the last time the city had a masterplan was when it had a comprehensive urban-renewal plan", which he credits to Logue, and "to a certain extent, the city has been following that plan ever since." Logue, who was elected to honorary membership in the BSA many years ago, never retired. His love of Boston was legendary and even in the last few months he continued to share his passionate advice with BSA leaders on everything from the revitalization of City Hall Plaza to Fenway Park, the Old Northern Avenue Bridge, the new South Boston Seaport District and the preservation of his home territory, Martha's Vineyard, where he died at 78.

BSA Corporate Advisory Council

The 2000 BSA Corporate Advisory Council (industry leaders who advise the BSA Board of Directors) are Stan Durlacher (Carlisle Consulting Group), Gayle Friedland (Forest City Development), Kevin Hines (Richard White Sons), Marty Holloran (AHA Consulting Engineers), John Messervy AIA (Partners HealthCare), Judith Nitsch, P.E. (Judith Nitsch Engineering), Kathy Spiegelman (Harvard University), Gary Vanderweil P.E. (Vanderweil Engineers), and Lisa Wexler (Elaine Construction). For more information, see the story on the Council on p. 10.

For information on the Corporate Advisory Council, write/call Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (*rfitzgerald@architects.org*/617-951-1433x232).

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TRO/The Ritchie Organization has announced the appointment of two new Senior Associates — Tom Lam AIA (above) and Paul Konz, P.E. (below) and seven new Associates — Frank Chang AIA, Robb Connor, Assoc. AIA, Jason D'Antona, John Downes, Mark Gagnon, George White and Elisa Worden Kirouac; and Jennifer Grandin has been named Marketing Manager

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and Stephen Holl Architects are the designers)...**Prior Engineering** is designing a new church in East Sandwich (Keefe Associates is the architect), renovating the Ernst & Young offices in Newton (GHK is the architect), building-out space for i2 Technologies at Five Cambridge Center (The Aztec Corp. is the architect), an office renovation in the Hancock Tower for Alta Communications and a masterplanning project of a Telecom Hotel for Mystic Valley Development (Visnick & Caulfield is the architect for both projects), build-out of an MRI facility in Yarmouth (Myron Hartford is the architect), office build-out for Tambone Investment Group in Lynnfield (Jung/Brannen is the architect), renovation of Adesa Auto Auctions in Framingham (Casali Group is the architect) and renovation of a four-storey building in South Boston (John Cunningham is the architect)...**Luchini Milfort Goodell & Associates** is providing MEP engineering services for the terminal expansion and new concourse at Bradley International Airport in Connecticut (HNTB is the architect), a new elementary school in Tyngsboro (Keyes Associates is the architect), a new computer lab at Tufts (DTS Shaw is the architect), and new labs and support spaces for Aventis Corp.'s new Cambridge Genomics Center (DTS Shaw is the architect on this and the Tufts project); Robert DiBella P.E. has joined the company as a project manager... **Carol R. Johnson Associates** has been honored with two national design awards from the Brick Industry Association for its work on Harvard Business School's McArthur Hall (with CBT) and the US Federal Courthouse in Boston (with Jung/Brannen and Pei Cobb Freed); Bill Taylor was a keynote speaker (with Kenzo Tange and Richard Watson) at the January conference on Sustainable Design in Housing in Taipei ...**Dimeo Construction** has completed work on the East Tower of the Brighton Landing office complex (ADD Inc is the architect) and has begun work on five new Target stores in Saugus, Everet, Milford, New Britain and Waterford (Sumner Schein and Anderson-Nichols are the designers) and the renovations and new additions to South County Hospital in Rhode Island (Taylor & Partners is the architect)...**Lee Kennedy Co.** is doing the interior fit-up for the "Unforgettable Boston Theater" at the New England Aquarium (McManus Peterman is the architect), tenant fit-up in the Pru Tower for Digitas (Elkus/Manfredi is the architect) and Barton Securities (McMahon Architects is the designer), and interior fit-up for ITG at its 44 Farnsworth Street location; the company also has honored Bruno Maunsell and David Dirubbo for outstanding customer service...**Wise Construction** has completed tenant fit-ups for the IRS in Southboro and Delphi Forum in Cambridge (Visnick & Caulfield was the architect on both projects), a lab and interior fit-up for Lion Bioscience (Margolis + Fishman is the architect), and several interior renovations for Harvard Business School facilities; Francis Cahill recently joined the company...**Siena Construction** has completed work at I-Cube in Cambridge and 1st Data in Westboro (ADD Inc is the architect on both projects), Millennium Pharmaceuticals ACF at 640 Memorial Dr. in Cambridge (Tsoi/Kobus is the architect), Pegasystems in Cambridge (Kodis Associates is the architect) and Aware Inc. in Bedford (Visnick & Caulfield is the architect) and is currently building Millennium Pharmaceuticals' project at 270 Albany St. in Cambridge (Tsoi/Kobus is the architect), Vitex in Watertown (Cubellis & Associates is the architect), Loring Wolcott & Coolidge in Boston (Dyer/Brown is the architect), Comverse Network Systems in Wakefield (Spagnolo/Gisness is the architect), Tufts Dental interior renovations and the Sackler Building, Razorfish in Kendall Square (ADD Inc is the architect), S.D.L. in Norwood (Design-Science is the architect) and Suntory Pharmaceuticals in Cambridge and base-building upgrades to 44 Hartwell Ave. in Lexington (Olson Lewis & Dioli is the architect on both projects); John "Chip" Crane Jr. has been named Senior VP of Business Development/Estimating and Gregory Antonopoulos is the new VP of operations...**Payton Construction** has completed work on the new Filene's in Burlington (JSA Architects was the designer) and is currently building the UPS room renovations at One Boston Place (D. Bruce Greenwald is the architect), renovations for Tufts Dental School in Boston (Livermore, Edwards and Associates is the architect), tenant fit-out for GoFish.com in Maine (Gawron Architects is the designer), and renovations of 343 Congress Street in Boston for Intercontinental Developers (mistakenly identified as Continental Developers in last month's issue); the company also has announced that John O'Brien is a new Superintendent, Joseph Berry is a new Project Manager and Brian Fogarty and Adam Mancini are new Assistant Project Managers...**Ear-Relevant Sounds** engineered and mixed the new Single Entendre folk-music-&-blues CD, "The Wonder Boys", and designed the audio systems for the CVS Store Support Center expansion in Woonsocket (ADD Inc is the architect) ...**Simpson Gumpertz & Heger** sent a team to examine buildings damaged during Taiwan's September 1999 earthquake and has put the details of its findings and a summary of lessons learned on a special section of its Web site (*www.sgh.com* and click on the moving announcement link)... **Shooshanian Engineering** has named Henry Hansen the Senior Corporate Engineer; Patrick McAleese, P.E., Blair Chamberlain, P.E. and Robert Flaherty, P.E. have been named Senior Associates; and James Conery, Paul Corrado, P.E., Alfonso Hernandez, Bruce McGregor, P.E. and Colleen Jordan Shinney have been named Associates...**GEI Consultants** has appointed five senior-level staff members to operate its mid-western and California operations: Donald Gray, Michael Knarr and Mark Sarles in California and Dr. Barry Fehl and Don Baum in St. Louis.

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★ **Design awards programs submission deadlines** **Mar. 1** BSA/IIDA/ASID Interior Architecture/Interior Design **Mar. 21** BSA/AIA New York Housing Design		**8:00 am** Task Force to End Homelessness, Payette Assoc., 285 Summer St., Boston **2:00 pm** *AIA New England Board Meeting	**8:00 am** Editorial Board (see p. 14) **10:30 am** Executive Cte **Noon** *Board Meeting	All meetings are held in The Architects Building, 52 Broad Street, unless otherwise noted.
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Michaelangelo is 524	**8:00 am** *CAN*struction Planning Group **9:30 am** Educational Facilities Cte, Flansburgh Assoc., 77 No. Washington St., Boston **Noon** *Learning By Design (see p. 3) **4:30 pm** Civic Initiative for a Livable New England (see p. 7)	**8:30 am** Residential Design Marketing Group (see p. 13) **Noon** *Office Information Systems Task Force (see p. 9) **Noon** Design Software Cte (for venue, *glangdon@shore.net*) **6:30 pm** AllPlan Users Group, Bereznicki Assoc., 9 Wendell St., Cambridge (see p. 9)	**8:00 am** Historic Resources Cte **6:00 pm** Regional Design Cte, 7 Doublet Hill Rd., Weston (617-647-7833)	"KidsBuild", the BSA program at the Museum of Science (see pp. 2 & 3)
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Noon *Public-Sector Architects Cte, Rm. 1609, 100 Cambridge St., Boston (see p. 9) **6:00 pm** "Working Abroad" (see pp. 2 & 3) *The Bauhaus is 81 and today Spring arrives*	**8:00 am** SeaPort Focus Team **Noon** *Boston Foundation for Architecture Board Meeting	**8:00 am** Marketing & PR Wizards (see p. 9) **Noon** *New Technologies Cte (see p. 11) **6:00 pm** BSA/BPL Lecture Series (see p. 1)	**8:30 am** Higher Education Facilities Design Group **6:00 pm** Urban Design Cte, C7A, 1050 Mass. Ave., Cambridge	**8:00 am** AGC/BSA Design/Build Subcte (see p. 8)
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